

of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Additional U.S. Note 5 to chapter 17 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), the United States maintains tariff-rate quotas for imports of raw cane and refined sugar. The in-quota quantity of the raw cane tariff-rate quota for the period October 1, 1998–September 30, 1999, has been established by the Secretary of Agriculture at 1,164,937 metric tons, raw value (1,284,123 short tons).

Section 404(d)(3) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3601(d)(3)) authorizes the President to allocate the in-quota quantity of a tariff-rate quota for any agricultural product among supplying countries or customs areas. The President delegated this authority to the United States Trade representative under paragraph (3) of Presidential Proclamation No. 6763 (60 FR 1007).

Accordingly, the 1,164,937 metric tons for a raw cane sugar are being allocated to the following countries in metric tons, raw value:

Country	FY1999 allocation
Argentina	46,581
Australia	89,912
Barbados	7,583
Belize	11,916
Bolivia	8,666
Brazil	157,076
Colombia	25,999
Congo	7,258
Cote d'Ivoire	7,258
Costa Rica	16,249
Dominican Republic	190,657
Ecuador	11,916
El Salvador	28,165
Fiji	9,750
Gabon	7,258
Guatemala	51,997
Guyana	12,999
Haiti	7,258
Honduras	10,833
India	8,666
Jamaica	11,916
Madagascar	7,258
Malawi	10,833
Mauritius	12,999
Mexico	25,000
Mozambique	14,083
Nicaragua	22,749
Panama	31,415
Papua New Guinea	7,258
Paraguay	7,258
Peru	44,415
Philippines	146,243
South Africa	24,915
St. Kitts & Nevis	7,258
Swaziland	17,332

Country	FY1999 allocation
Taiwan	12,999
Thailand	15,166
Trinidad-Tobago	7,583
Uruguay	7,258
Zimbabwe	12,999
Total	1,164,937

This allocation includes the following minimum quota-holding countries: Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Gabon, Haiti, Madagascar, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, St. Kitts & Nevis, and Uruguay.

The in-quota quantity of the tariff-rate quota for refined sugar for the period October 1, 1998–September 30, 1999, has been established by the Secretary of Agriculture at 50,000 metric tons, raw value (55,116 short tons). A total of 7,090 metric tons (7,815 short tons) of this tariff-rate quota will be available for refined sugar and 4,656 metric tons (5,132 short tons) will be available for specialty sugars on a globalized basis, that is, these amounts will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. A total of 10,300 metric tons (11,354 short tons) to refined sugar and 59,250 metric tons (65,312 short tons) of sugar containing products (of the tariff-rate quota maintained under additional U.S. Note 8 to chapter 17 of the Harmonized tariff Schedule) will be allocated to Canada. Separately, an additional 2,954 metric tons (3,256 short tons) of refined sugar will be allocated to Mexico. The remaining 25,000 metric tons (27,558 short tons) of the refined sugar tariff-rate quota is being allocated to Mexico to fulfill obligations pursuant to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Under the NAFTA, the United States is to provide total access for raw and refined sugar from Mexico of 25,000 metric tons, raw value, for this quota period in conjunction with Mexico's net surplus producer status. This allocation is subject to the condition that the total imports of raw and refined sugar from Mexico, combined, is not to exceed 25,000 metric tons raw value.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Partnership Council; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT) announces a meeting of the DOT Partnership Council (the Council). Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Time and Place: The Council will meet on Wednesday, October 21, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, room 10214, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. The room is located on the 10th floor.

Type of Meeting: These meetings will be open to the public. Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend should contact DOT to obtain appropriate accommodations.

Point of Contact: John E. Budnik or Jean B. Lenderking, Corporate Human Resource Leadership Division, M-13, Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7411, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9439 or (202) 366-8085, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to finalize plans for the Life with Cancer Signature Project in memory of the late American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) President John Sturdivant.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: We invite interested persons and organizations to submit comments. Mail or deliver your comments or recommendations to Ms. Jean Lenderking at the address shown above. Comments should be received by October 6, 1998 in order to be considered at the October 21 meeting.

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For the Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-1998-4525]

National Boating Safety Activities: Funding for National Nonprofit Public Service Organizations

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for grants and cooperative agreements from national